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**Applicant(s):** Cook, et al.      **Docket:** 135774  
**Serial No.:** 09/741,632      **Art Unit:** 2143  
**Filed:** December 19, 2000      **Examiner:** Jerry B. Dennison  
**Title:** Method of Transparently Transporting SONET STS-3C Frame Information  
Across a Network

**FEB 28 2005****AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116**

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action ("Office Action") dated December 28, 2004, Applicant respectfully requests entry of the following amendment to the claims under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 on the grounds that the amendment places the application in condition for allowance.